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BAY STATE ELECTIONS.

Boston Voted for License and Most of

the Other Towns Likewise.

licans have probably the advantage in the

in previous years, was relatively the same,

owing to the light vote. The vote was:

Yes, 39,426; no. 26,829. There was a falling

off of 30 per cent. from the vote in the

election a month ago. The only rival can-

didates voted on by the entire city were

those running for street commissioner and

former contest, Duane, Democrat, won by

small majority, while another colored Re-

Throughout the State the Republicans

btained in the State election. The total

cense vote in the State shows a decided

095. 1895 the vote was: Yes, 119,365; no, 105,639; majority for license, 13,725. The only changes were Haverhill from license to no

FAMILY POISONED.

wo Children Dead, Three Others and

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 15 .- Agnes and

Mary Novock, children, died this afternoon

arsenic poisoning. Joseph Novock, the

father, and the mother and three other

children are dangerously ill. At least one

more will probably die. The whole family

were taken sick shortly after breakfast.

Suspicion attaches to a woman living in

SHARKEY TESTIFIES.

says He Never Heard of a Conspiracy

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.-The Fitz

say they are now able to prove a doctor

performed an operation on Sharkey to pro-

and that he was paid \$1,000 for the service.

Danny Lynch, Sharkey's manager, denied

all knowledge of a conspiracy, said that

neither he nor Sharkey was a member of

jection from Sharkey's attorney saved the

nessed the fight, but saw no foul blow

Thomas Sharkey's testimony was simply

a denial of the stories told by his trainers,

Billy Smith and George Allen. He never

heard of a conspiracy before the fight, had

a foul blow in the groin. When asked why he screamed as if in pain when he was

with Dr. Lee in the dressing room after the fight. Sharkey said that Lee had pressed his groin hard during the examina-

tion after Fitzsimmons's blow and that the

stated that he still suffered pain from his

injuries in the groin. Several amateur

sportsmen testified that the recent meeting

was not a prize fight, but a glove contest, so that the court could take cognizance of

Awarded to Burns.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 15. - In a ten-round

lightweight glove fight to-night, for a purse

of \$800, Jimmie Freasney, of Phialedlphia

bested Charley Burns, of Cincinnati, and

got the deceision. National League Um-pire John Sheridan refereed.

Charged with Embezziement.

ment of the recent Big Rapids bank fail-

ure has been increased by the arrest this

afternoon of ex-General Manager Chester

W. Comstock. He is charged by the de-

positors' committee with having embezzled

2,000 of the bank's funds. Mr. Comstock

appears to have sent a draft Oct. 22, drawn

on the National Bank of Hanover, N. Y.

to apply on Comstock Lumber Company indebtedness held by another bank, but the

bank here has never been reimbursed, nor,

in fact, is the transaction recorded. Mr.

Comstock waived examination and was

Threats of the Steel Pool.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 15 .- An agent of

the Illinois Steel Company, in an interview

in this city to-day, stated that the steel

pool would soon be on its feet again. The

plan is to then make it hot for the Bellaire

Company that disrupted the pool by with-

drawing and cutting prices. The agent said

that as soon as the rool was once more in

working order the members in the territory

of the Bellaire Company would sell steel

below cost if necessary to freeze that con-

cern out, the losses being made good by the

Murderer Legally Shot.

north of Eche, for the killing of Deputy

Sheriffs Thomas Stagg, of Echo, Utah, and

30, 1895. He was shot to death by five depu-

ties under Sheriff Dickson. Only the offi-

SALT LAKE, Utah, Dec. 15 .- Patrick

BIG RAPIDS. Mich., Dec. 15.-Excite-

pressure caused him great agony.

struck by Fitz.

the present action.

held in \$5,000 bail.

pool treasury.

to Rob Fitzsimmons.

the Parents Dangerously Ill.

icense and Lynn vice versa.

member for the School Board. The

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RUSSIAN COUNT RELEASED.

In the Tombs Since Nov. 20 for Threatening to Kill a Cabman.

YORK, Dec. 15 .- The Count De Touloise L'Ontrec, who recently traveled Siberian railroad scheme, was released today from the Tombs Prison, where he had been a prisoner since Nov. 20. He was then arrested charged with having assaulted and threatened to kill a cabman. In the trial to-day the count declared, in broken English, that he had not assaulted the cabman, but had drawn a revolver from his pocket because he feared he was going to be robbed. "I had much money and a watch of great value," he added, "and I feared I was to be robbed." "Were you not a prisoner in Russia?"

"Yes sir," replied the count. Then," said the prosecutor, "I submit that this man's word cannot against the cabman, who testified that the count drew a pistol on him in the 'Tenderoin' on the night of Nov. 18. In a question of veracity I think the cabman's testimony should be accepted against that of this

man, who confesses he is afraid to go back "The count fled from Russia for political reasons. I think his word is as good as the cabman's. I shall end this case and recommend an acquittal. The count left the stand, and in a few clair, a few relatives of the condemned minutes the jury rendered a verdict of man and representatives of the condemned

SILVER PRODUCERS TO BE AIDED BY THE NEW TARIFF BILL.

Import Tax Equal to the Difference Between Selling Price and Par to

Be Levied on Foreign Bullion.

AND WILL NOT SATISFY THE 16-TO-1 POLITICAL AGITATORS.

Little Probability that the New Rev-Will Pass the Senate-Features of Other Legislation.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 .- One of the things to be embodied in the new tariff bill is a clause giving unexpected and unasked recognition to silver by putting on an import tax equal to the difference have to be a sliding one, based an an average price for a given time, and adjustable to the changed condition of the market. If the quotation should be 60 cents an ounce for the specified period, then the duty would be 69 cents an ounce; if the price should be 65 cents, the duty would be 64 cents, and so on. The scheme, which has received favorable consideration at the hands of House and Senate leaders. will be greatly to the advantage of producers, but it is not what the free-coinage element is asking for. The advocates of silver protection claim, however, that the measure is distinctly tariff, and that its adoption will make no difference whatever with the money end of the question, leaving that as it was before. The effect will be, however, to placate the mine owners and decidedly moderate their enthusiasm for free coinage, which is something the 16-to-1 agitators do not want. At the same BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 15 .- The Repub- time, they cannot consistently oppose the city election to-day, although, in the ab- | ducing interests in the same way that prosence of a mayoralty contest, the report is the ground. It is true that this country is a silver exporter, but we also import a large quantity from Mexico and other

with cur own productoin Washington is excited over the report which was sent to the Journal several days ago that an effort would be made to complete and pass the new tariff bill in the House this session and send it to the publican candidate. Dr. Samuel E. Court-ney, was elected on the School Board, his majority being about 2,000. will assist in the passage of the .bill have seemingly lost some of the advantage | through that body. Two or three of these senators have, however, confidentially informed friends that they have no notion increase in license over last year, while formed friends that the no license vote is slightly reduced. that they will The total vote was: Yes, 124,776; no. 104. make good any be called on half promises protection measure, and if it develops that there is any danger of a vote they will employ all available parliamentary tactics to prevent action. This means that whatever may be said openly, looking to the passage of a tariff measure this session, there is no show whatever of its becoming a law. An Associated Press dispatch says: Members of the ways and means committee

say there have been no developments either in their various conferences or in at Solvay, near this city, presumably of suggestions from leaders of the House indicating there is any desire or intention to pass a tariff bill during the present Conon which the committee was now working would be passed at this session. Chairman in contemplation and no such plan would be considered unless something was done by the Senate to take up the bill it now has, amend it and put it into conference. Mr. Dingley indicated that it would be imreceive consideration in the Senate. Another member of the ways and means comsimmons-Sharkey witnesses to-day gave no mittee said that it would be foolish for this sensational testimony, but "Fitz's" friends House to pass a bill which would be torn to pieces in the Senate. The next House would have to pass it again over the opposition the bill aroused in the Senate. The duce external evidence of an apparent foul. present work of the ways and means com-

mittee is the preliminary work which that

committee would have to do in the begin-

The House committee on appropriations the National Club, and declared that to-day finished the bill for the legislative, Referee Earp had no pecuniary interest in executive and judicial expenses of the govthe check for \$10,000. On cross-examination | ernment for the fiscal year ending June 30. by Fitzsimmon's counsel Lynch was asked 1898. The bill carries a total of \$21,667,869. if he had ever been prohibited from racing which is \$1,099,281 less than the estimates at the local tracks, and why. An ob- and \$37,899 less than the appropriations for the current year. The principal new item is for clerical force of the new congreswitness the possible embarrassment of re-plying. A sporting reporter said he wit-an increase of 144. The salary roll will aggregate \$177,900. The salary of the librarian is increased from \$4,000 to \$6,000; a chief assistant librarian at \$4,000, and nine additional employes in the catalogue department are provided for in accordance with the recommendations of the joint commitno talk with Earp and bet no money on the fight. He declared "Fitz" struck him tee on library. It is provided that the library employes are selected by the librarian by reason of special aptitude for the work. A reduction of five employes in the Carson (Nev.) mint is made and the amount for wages of workmen and adjustors in New Orleans is reduced from \$74,000 to \$40,000, but there are small increases in the Philadelphia and Helena mints. For government of the territories the allowances is decreased \$74,000 because there are no legislative sessions to be provided for. The compensation of officers of courts in the Indian Territy is omitted, it being the intention to change them from salaried to feed officers on the lines of the Updegraff

> Five members of the Illinois congressional delegation-Messrs, Aldrich, Belknap, Cook, Reeves and Lorrimer-had an interview to day with General Craighill, the chief of army engineers, to urge the pushing of wor on the Chicago river and the Hennepin canal. In the last river and harbor bill authority was given the secretary to contract for the building of the canal to the amount of \$5,535,000 and to expend \$700,000 in straightening, dredging and widening the Chicago river. Complications have arisen in carrying out both projects so that no work has yet been done nor contracts made. In the case of the canal the secretary of war has not advertised for bids yet. Max Marshall, engineer in charge of the Chicago river work, holds that under the terms of the appropriation it can be expended only for dredging, which would require but a fraction of the allowance The War Department officials have told the Chicago members that if the appropriation was expended for any other work than the dredging. Controller Bowler might refuse to pass the accounts. General Craighill has, in accordance with the request of the congressional delegation, written to Secretary Lamont asking that a construction of the appropriating act be secured from the attorney general. The intent of the law was plain and if its wording proved to be defective the Illinois members propose to remedy the defect by new legislation, Mr. Reeves laid the Hennepin canal matter before General Craighill and clicited the assurance that the department would proceed to carry out the terms of the law.

The Senate committee on Pacific rail-Coughlin was executed to-day in Sage Holroads to-day agreed that, in view of the low, Rich county, Utah, twenty-five miles fact that the mortgages on both the Union Pacific and the Central Pacific are now E. A. Dawes, of Evanston, Wyo., or. July practically due, it was important to secure the action of Congress at the earliest pracsenator present who dissented from this of life. The building cost \$19,000 in 1892, view, and he said he did not desire delay. and the total loss will be over \$20,000. ticable date. Senator Morgan was the only

He expressed the opinion, however, that further testimony should be taken. He was overruled on this point. The committee decided to ask for a day for the Sloux City bill immediately after the di- sal of the immigration bill, and to make an effort to get up the Union Pacific and Central Pacific bills immediately after the Christmas recess, providing Senator White, of Caltfornia, shall have arrived in the meantime. The committee agreed not to press the bills in his absence.

Senator Allen to-day introduced a bill appropriating \$1,000,000 for the survey of the headwaters of the principal rivers of the country, for the location of available sites for reservoirs for irrigation purposes. The survey proposed is not to be confined to the arid region, but to include all sections of the country.

The Tennessee delegation in the House to-day waited on Speaker Reed to ask that an early day be given to consideration of the bill to give the Tennessee centennial exposition a government building and exhibit, to cost \$130,000. The speaker replied that he would not oppose the bill, having favored a similar bill for the Omaha exposition, and promised that the committee on rules would consider the matter at an early

The House committee on judiciary to-day voted to recommend to the appropriations committee that the Updegraf bill of last session, making the officers of United States courts salaried instead of fee officials, be extended to the officers of the United States courts for the Indian Territory, who were excepted from the provi-sions of the Updegraf bill. This change will not apply to court commissioners. At-

The House and Senate committees on invalid pensions have arranged to hold on the subject of pension legislation.

The Senate committee on finance to-day considered briefly the bill which passed the House last session authorizing the bettling of spirits in government warehouses. A terested parties Jan. 7.

BAGGED NINETY DUCKS.

President Cleveland and Party Had Good Sport Yesterday.

GEORGETOWN, S. C., Dec. 15 .- The presidential party enjoyed splendid sport off South island to-day, the number of ducks bagged being about ninety. General Alexander Captain Hazard. In the afternoon they will abandon their camp and go to the Anwill be visited for ducks for several days succeeding. The forecast of the Weather Bureau to-day indicates the continuation of favorable weather, in which case the Prestdent cannot fail to be gratified. It is given out that the President will remain indennitely, there being no limit to his time.

ABANDONED AT SEA.

Schooner Either Sunk or Menacing Navigation as a Derelict.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15 .- The three-masted schooner Grace K. Green, 385 tons, from Philadelphia for New Haven, with a cargo of coal, is a derelict, or at the bottom of the sea. Her crew abandoned her afternoon between Long Branch and the Highlands and were brought to New York to-night by the Old Dominion steamer alongside to give the distressed schooner a hawser, but the sea bumped the two vessels ogether and the Green lost her bowsprit. came together four of the schooner's crew jumped to the Yorkton's deck, and one of them broke his leg. When the vessels cleared after the collision the rest of the crew took to a small boat and were picked

up by the Yorktown. Hurricane Along the Const. ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Dec. 15 .- A heavy wind and rainstorm is raging along the coast at this point. To-day the large Casino building, where the Elks' disaster happened two years ago, collapsed with a crash, carrying with it an untenanted cottage next door. No one was in the building. The storm had reached such a height to-night that Local Observer Brand rewarn mariners not to leave port, as there is a storm of hurricane force on the way Special instructions were also issued to the

crews of the life staving stations all along Fourteen Sailors Drowned. ROUEN, Dec. 15.-The French steamer Marie-Fanny, from Bayonne, for this port, has been totally lost off the island of Allerney. The captain was saved, but fourteen of the crew were drowned.

Movements of Steamers. NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Arrived: Spaarn-dam, from Rotterdam. Sailed: Spree, for Bremen; Bovic, for Liverpool. SOUTHAMPTON, Dec. 16.-Arrived: Trave, from New York, for Bremen. CHERBOURG, Dec. 15 .- Sailed: Havel

SPIRITUALIST BAPTISM

The Babies Given Flowers and a Rose Used to Sprinkle the Water.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 15.-Baptism has been introduced among Pittsburg Spiritualists. At the First Church Sunday three babies were baptized by Mrs. Ida Whitlock, of Boston, at the request of their parents. This ceremony was unique. When the babies' parents and godmothers had been assembled deacons of the church brought out a long flower-decked rope, which they tied about the participants in the cere-Mrs. Whitlock gave each baby a small bunch of carnations, handing them from a silver bowl. Having completed this ceremony, Mrs. Whitlock took another silver bowl, and, advancing to each baby, she dipped into the bowl a rose and sprinkled the faces of those to be baptized, saying as she did so, "I. Ida Whitlock, by a power commissioned to me, do baptize thee. Alma Marie Klotz, in the name of the All Good." Alderman, Klotz, of Allegheny, the father of this child. After the sprinkling was over Mrs. Whitlock made an address, telling of the service and what it symbolized. This ended the ceremony.

Medium Exposer Arrested. BOSTON, Dec. 15.-George B. Gates, who led a raiding party having for its object

the expose of a seance at the Spiritualist Temple in this city three weeks ago, was arrested to-day, charged with disturbing a religious meeting and with damage to property to the amount of \$50. The alleged exposure created a sensation, as those who took part in it not only caught the medium in the act of impersonating a "spirit," but secured the white robe, wig and whiskers which he wore.

THIRTY DAYS MORE.

Scott Jackson's Lawyers Granted Time to Petition for a Rehearing. FRANKFORT, Ky., Dec. 15 .- The Court of Appeals to-day granted the attorneys for Scott Jackson thirty days in which to file a petition for a rehearing.

Perjured Witnesses Sentenced. CINCINNATI, Dec. 15 .- John Seward and William Truste, witnesses in the Pearl Bryan murder case, who were convicted of false swearing, were to-day sentenced in Newport, Ky. Seward was given two years and Truste one year in the Kentucky penitentiary. They attempted to make jurors believe that Pearl Bryan was beheaded on the Ohlo side of the river and

conveyed to Fort Thomas afterward. College Building Burned. NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 15 .- Nathan all, one of the buildings of Knoxville ollege, colored, was burned to the ground this morning about 11 o'clock. The building was used as a girls' dormftory, but

all the inmates were at the class rooms

RUMOR THAT THE BUTCHER WILL BE RECALLED FROM CUBA.

General Marin, Now Governor of Porto Rico, It Is Said, May Take Command of the Spanish Army.

FIGHTING NEAR THE TROCHA

MACEO'S SUCCESSOR MAKING WARM FOR THE SPANIARDS.

Two Trainloads of Provisions Captured by the Insurgents-Attack on Havana Feared.

MADRID, Dec. 15 .- According to surface indications Captain General Weyler will soon be relieved of his command in Cuba. The discontent with Weyler is noticeable even in the government organs. They say that instead of going to Havana to receive joint meeting next Friday to hear a delega-tion from the Grand Army of the Republic tinued the military operations in the province of Pinar del Rio. A bad impression has also been created here by the dispatches of the Spanish correspondents at Havana announcing that General Weyler has suppressed all dispatches referring to subcommittee consisting of Senators Aldrich. Sherman and Jones of Arkansas was appointed and will grant a hearing to ineral's action was due to jealousy, and it is

The report that General Weyler has ordered proceedings to be taken against Major Cirujeda because the major, after the death of Antonio Maceo, went to Havana without the permission of his superior officers, is also causing discontent here, owing to the popularity of Cirujeda. Although the ministers maintain reserve on the subject it is stated the Cabinet may consider this question, and it is further stated the ministers may also discuss the execution of General Weyler's plan of campaign, which is criticised in certain quarters. The Imparcial, however, says that the ministers have no knowledge of Captain General Weyler having taken any action against Major Cirujeda and regard it as being improbable. The Imparcial also says that the report that Captain General Weyler is shortly to be replaced is not confirmed.

General Marin, who is spoken of as Weyler's successor, has seen considerable military service in the cause of Spain, having participated in the last Cuban war. At that time he had for adversaries on the insuregnt side some of the men who figure prominently in that service to-day. General Marin came to Cuba permanently with Martinez Campos when the latter was appointed captain general of the island. He acted as captain general when Campos was Yorktown. At 2 p. m. the Yorktown came in the field against the insurgents, and when Campos was recalled as the result of the dissatisfaction of the Spanish government with his campaign Marin took his place during the interregnum between the departure of Campos and the arrival of Weyler. With the advent of Weyler Marin was appointed Governor of Porto Rico. General Marin is about fifty years of age.

Spanish Account of Maceo's Death. WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 .- The following dispatch from the Spanish minister of foreign affairs in regard to the death of General Macco, received at the legation here, was made public by Minister De Lome to-

"Maceo's death took place in a loyal fight at Punta Brava and was caused by our soldiers' bullets. This is evidently proved by the letter written by the son of in which he states that he killed himself in order not to abandon the body of his The handwriting of the letter has been verified and also every detail of the fight, time and circumstances when wounded. All these details have been pub lished in Europe by telegrams from both Spanish and foreign correspondents. Mr. Du Bosc, secretary of the legation speaking for the minister, said to-night that the officials of the legation hoped to discover the origin of the report of Maceo's assassination and to trace it to a certain

Cuban resident of Jacksonville, Fla. Won't Notice Cleveland's Message. MADRID. Dec. 15 .- Officials here declare that no memorandum of the subject of President Cleveland's message will be sent by Spain to the United States. They add that Senor Canovas, the Fremier, will at proach the question of reforms in Cuba only when the revolt has been almost

BATTLE IN PINAR DEL RIO. Gen. Rius Rivera Worrying General

Weyler's Soldiers. CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 15.-A special to the Commercial Tribune from Key West says: Fighting is reported west of the trocha, in Pinar del Rio section, where the insurgents, under Maceo's successor, Gen. Rius Rivera, have taken the field against the Spanish forces left there by General Weyler. No details have been received yet, but fifty wounded soldiers came in yesterday from the neighborhood of Artemisa.

It is stated in Havana that General Weyler has called in some of the troops now stationed outside of the city, fearing an attack by General Gomez, who is reported as coming eastward with a large force well armed and provisioned. The insurgents have already occupied several small towns held by the Spaniards in the eastern part of the province of Havana, and have had hardly any defeats. Two trainloads of provisions and arms were captured by the insurgents on the Matanzas road Saturday or Sunday, with slight loss. It is reported that an expedition from Honduras landed on the south side of the island Saturday, with large supplies of ammunition and arms, and that the cargo was safely delivered into the possession of General Rivera.

THE COMPETITOR'S CREW. Trial of the Prisoners May Take Place

Soon-Decree of Weyler. HAVANA, Dec. 15 .- The second trial of the crew of the American schooner Competitor, captured on April 29 last by a Spanish gunboat while apparently landing a filibustering expedition on the coast of Cuba, is still in its preliminary stages, and consequently, according to Spanish law, the proceedings are yet private. It is expected that the case will shortly pass into open court, when all the features of the case will be made public. The stories circulated in the United States of the secret trial, sentence and approaching execution of the prisoners are wholly false. It' is understood that the retrial of the case of Julio Sanguily, sent back on appeal from the Supreme Court of Madrid, will not occur till Jan. 8. Abelardo Campanoni, a member of Juan De Gado's insurgent band, surrendered yes-

terday to the Spanish authorities and was granted amnesty. Captain General Weyler has published decree regarding the circumstances of Antonio Maceo's death which fully confirms the reports heretofore sent from here. This near Bejucal, between Santiago de las possible 200, beating the world's record, burned the Spanish flag amid huzzas, and Vegas and Rincon, in Havana province. which was 188. Deiter's score was 188. Captain Longmire, of Company E, State

The official dispatches bulletined to-day by the general staff give only unimportant accounts of scattered skirmishes, in which the losses on either side were insignificant. The Spanish transatlantic liner Alfonso Doce has arrived here with 1,246 recruits, being the last installment of the 25,000 re-

last three weeks. The fortifications of the town of Guanabacca, just across the bay from Havana, on which attacks have been made by raiding parties of insurgents, are being actively

inforcements dispatched from Spain in the

The name of Obispo street, the principal street in Havana, has been changed to Weyler, out of compliment to the captain general.

MAY STOP AT VALENCIA. American Consul Not Instructed to

Warn the Laurada Away. WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 .- Messrs. Tucker and Seward, of Baltimore, representing the Baltimore concern which chartered the

Laurada to bring fruit to the United States, and John L. Vandiver, representing Hart & Co., of Philadelphia, the owners of the vessel, called at the State Department this afternoon to inquire into the report that the Laurada had been prevented from entering the Spanish port of Valencia. They failed to see Secretary Olney or Assistant Rockhill, but the chief clerk listened to their statements and answered for the department. The shipping men said they had been informed the Laurada had been forbidden by United States Consul Martens, at Grao, the port of Valencia, to enter the harbor. The chief clerk replied that this was impossible; the department had sent no such instructions to the consul. in fact, had sent no instructions at all relative to the Laurada, and the consul had no authority of his own to forbid the ship to enter. Mr. Tucker next asked what the Department of State would do if Laurada entered the port of Valencia and was seized by the Spaniards. The chief clerk declined to answer any hypothetical questions of this kind, but assured Mr. Tucker that the Laurada would be afforded the same measure of protection that would be extended to any other American vessel under like conditions and with this statement the callers were obliged to be conand the interview terminated. It is probably the case that while the State Department has not yet communicated didisposed to replace Weyler by General Marin, now Governor of Porto Rico.

rectly with the consul at Grao it has been advised by United States Minister Taylor at Madrid of the situation and is satisfied

> The Three Friends Pursued. WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 .- The treasury officials to-day received official confirmation of the report of the sailing of the Three Friends from Fernandina harbor, Florida, with a cargo of arms for the in-Newark and Raleigh from Key West in The Dauntless has again permitted to leave Jacksonville, she ing satisfied the officers of the government that she intends to engage only in lawful

> No Firing Off Key West. KEY WEST, Fla., Dec. 15 .- The report that firing has been heard at sea off Key West seems to lack foundation. A number of people assert that the steamer Three Friends passed here this morning and was een by them, but their reports as to the

flicting, some stating that she was heading for the south and others for the west. PRISONERS MASSACRED. Another Spanish Atrocity in the Phil-

ippine Islands. MADRID, Dec. 15 .- A dispatch received here from Singapore says that the natives of Mindano island, one of the Philippine groups, have revolted, and that many of the native troops are deserting to the in-Bands of insurgents frequently approach

A dispatch to the Imparcial from Singtown of the island of Luzon. It adds that 150 prisoners revolted, killed six soldiers, selzed arms and tried to raise the native nhabitants against the garrison. Continustreets and a general massacre followed during the night. Scores of corpses were picked up and many of the prisoners who were recaptured were shot the following

AFTER VENEZUELAN GOLD.

Destination of the Little Steamer Elsa and Its Crew of Ohioans.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 15 .- The destinaion of the little steamer Elsa, which was seized by the government authorities at Memphis on suspicion that she was on a filibustering expedition, is Venezuela. Several years ago two young men left Norwalk, O., and went to South America. After many vicissitudes one of them returned home. About a month ago he received a letter from his comrade, saying that he had discovered gold in the mountains near the coast in the territory in dispute between England and Venezuela. Assisted by two natives and a donkey he had mined some of the gold and sent it to a New York bank. pector asked his friend to draw on the New York bank, buy a small steamer and bring it to Venezuela. This tale was doubted, but a letter to the bank in New York confirmed the story. The steamer Elsa was bought at Sandusky and a party of seven young men made up, one of them being a son of G. W. Buswell, of this city. The boat was taken to Chicago and refitted, and the Mississippi reached by canat and river. The Elsa and her party will reach New Orleans on Saturday.

NEW THING IN BASEBALL Cannon Used to Shoot the Sphere

Across the Plate. PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 15 .- Professor Charles Hinton gave the first public exhibition of his baseball pitching cannon in the college gymnasium to-night. The members of the baseball team and a large crowd of undergraduates were present. A canvas backstop was erected in the gymnasium, and from the cannon, placed at pitcher's distance, balls were discharged showing the different curves and rates or speed that can be obtained. In a lecture rofessor Hinton said that his invention is intended to save pitchers in practice. The Princeton nine will use the cannon in all indoor practice this winter as an experi-

Cycler Rice's Welcome Home. WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 15 .- "Joe" Rice, who won the second prize in the sixday bike race in New York last week, received a royal greeting upon his return home here to-night. He was met at the depot by the mayor and City Council and prominent citizens. A procession headed by several brass bands paraded the streets. At the opera house a public reception was held, with Mayor Nichols presiding, and speeches were made by prominent citizens.

Billiard Scores.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.-William Hately (300) lefeated William Harrison (280), by 300 to 259 in the afternoon game in the Bensinger-Siler short-stop billiard tournament to-day. Averages: Hately, 10 20-28; Harrison, 5 19-28. In the evening game Joe Capron (280) de-feated John Thatcher (220) by 260 to 147. Averages: Capron, 155-16; Thatcher, 93-16,

Winston Defeats Roll. CHICAGO, Dec. 15 .- John Winston today wrested the Dupont trophy, emblematica, from George E. Roll, of Blue Island Ill., in the match held at Watson's Park

Each man shot at 100 birds, Winston hav-

ing a total score of 91, leading Roll, whose score was 84, by 7 birds. Shooting Record Broken. MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 15.-In a match shoot at live birds to-day to settle a tie in a match for a medal and \$200 a side, between Dr. J. L. Williamson and George L.

MANY AMERICANS ANXIOUS TO GO GUNNING FOR SPANIARDS.

Applications from Eight Hundred Men Received in One Day by the

Junto at New York.

STREAMS OF FIERY ORATORY

TURNED LOOSE ON SPAIN IN ALL

PARTS OF THE UNITED STATES.

Indignation Meetings and Theatric Flag Burnings-A Law That May

Deter Would-Be Patriots.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15 .- The New York Council of Cuban Revolutionary Clubs has character of the soldier and martyr, Antonio Maceo, and concluding as follows: "Let every Cuban family reaffirm their ence by forwarding to our brethren now struggling on the fields of battle, as a proof of our close union in the common cause, at least one rifle, with which a new arm, also ready to fall in glorious death before yielding, shall respond to the supreme and final effort and to the presumptuous confidence

The offices of the Cuban Junta were besleged to-day by applicants for enlistment stood at the entrance to the headquarters waiting for the doors to open, and before 9 o'clock the Cuban cause could have had sixty able-bodied recruits. All were dismissed with the information that no men were wanted. The Cuban officials said today that they had been quite overwhelmed with applications, and that during the last twenty-four hours nearly 800 men had applied for enlistment, all of whom had been refused, owing to the law prohibiting enlistments here for service in foreign armies. Many more applications had also

been received by mail from nearby cities. Three thousand members of the organization known as the "American Friends of Cuba" will march next Monday evening, in a body, to Cooper Union and participate in the demonstration to be held there in sympathy with Cuban patriots. The organization is made up entirely of American citizens. In the parade will march a company costumed as Cuban soldiers. President Frank Mayer, who is one of the few survivors of the Virginius expedition, will

St. Mark's Lyceum, of which Rev. Dr. Ernst Lyon is pastor, has called a mass meeting for Friday evening to protest against the cruelty of the Spanish government in its treatment of the inhabitants of surgents. It is further stated that the the islands. Resolutions will be adopted situation at Manilla is full of anxiety. urging the Congress of the United States to recognize the belligerency of the Cubans, The meeting will also pledge itself, if belligerency is declared, to procure 10,000 Afre-Americans who will give their lives in the

> cause of liberty if need bc. A mass meeting to express sympathy with insurgents was held in Jersey City to-night. Among the speakers was S. C. Henriques, who was United States consulat Cardenas during the Harrison administration. He said that Spain was exulting over the foul assassination of as grand a man as ever went forth to give battle in the cause of human liberty. The United States, he declared, could no longer afford to be one of the nations that oppress Cuba. Consul General Fitzhugh Lee is still in New York, but refuses to see callers, claiming that he is engaged with private business. He will leave the city Thursday, going by rail to Tampa, Fla., and will sail from there to Havana on the Clyde line steamer Olivette, reaching Havana Sunday morning. Mrs. Lee and Miss Lee will ac-

> > WARNING TO PATRIOTS.

People Who Enlist for the Cuban War Liable to Fine and Imprisonment. WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 .- The attention of officials here has been attracted by the stories coming from all portions of the country indicating that enlistments are going on of parties of men to go to Cuba to join the insurgents in their struggle against the Spaniards. These enlistments are in direct violation of the neutrality laws, and are prohibited under severe penalties. For accepting a commission to serve against Spain, a country with which the United States is now at peace, the penalty prescribed by Section 5281, Revised Statutes, is \$2,000 fine and three years' imprisonment. while for enlistment to serve against Spain or hiring anyone to enlist, the penalty is almost as heavy, being a maximum of \$1,000 fine and three years' imprisonment. The enforcement of these laws naturally fall within the functions of the United States officials to whose knowledge the attempt to infringe is brought, but if the movements continue on so large a scale as reported, it is probable that the Department of Justice will send instructions of special character to all of its agents calling their attention to the proclamation issued by the President last spring and enolning on them a strict enforcement of the neutrality laws. The government doubtless will be obliged to do this in order to manifest its purpose to meet the requirements of international law, just as it has warned the shipping interests against taking part in filibustering movements and

DOCTORS AROUSED.

has sent rigid instructions to judicial of-

ficers at Atlantic ports to prevent the in-

St. Paul Physicians Will Send Medi-

fraction of the laws in that respect.

cine to Cubans. ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 15 .- The physicians of St. Paul, aroused by the reports of suffering among the Cubans, have started a subscription list throughout the profession for money with which to buy medicine and bandages, to send immediately by way of Tampa, Fla., direct to the camps and towns of the patriots. The affair started with Dr. W. D. Keily, Dr. E. Boecockman, Dr. Charles A. Wheaton, The list is going among the physicians this afternoon and by to-morrow it is expected that quite a large sum will be realized, as others are also subscribing. The physicians intend to buy all the medicines, bandages, and material and express it immediately to Tampa, Fla., and thence to the coast of Cuba. If the government attempts to interfere in this humane movement an appeal will be had to the President for the expedition, as made from a humanitarian standpoint. The story that comes from Cuba to the physicians of this city through one of their number is that there are 85.000 sick people in Cuba, many of them the fam-

illes of the insurgents.

Spanish Flag Borned. LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 15.-At a mass meeting called by Mayor Simrall to take action in reference to the Cuban revolution the courthouse was crowded to-night. Resolutions were passed that Cuba must be free; that the United States should help Cuba to freedom by peaceful measures if she could, by forcible measures if she must. decree says that Maceo's body is buried Delter, Williamson shot 191 birds out of a Col. Tom Davidson, after the meeting